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SUBJECT: BUDAPEST MEETING OF COMMUNIST IDEOLOGUES:  
FEBRUARY 27-MARCH 1

REFS: A) USNATO 819; B) BUDAPEST 415; C) USNATO 2313;  
D) BUDAPEST 910

1. MISSION MAY DRAW ON FOLLOWING ANALYSIS DURING  
MARCH 7 POLADS MEETING.

A. THE COMMUNIQUE STEMMING FROM THE FEBRUARY 27 - MARCH 1  
BUDAPEST MEETING OF COMMUNIST IDEOLOGUES (THE WARSAW PACT,  
CUBA, MONGOLIA AND VIETNAM) ADDRESSED A MIX OF STANDARD  
THEMES: DISARMAMENT; DETENTE; SUPPORT FOR NATIONAL  
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LIBERATION MOVEMENTS AND FOR AGREEMENTS REACHED AT THE  
1976 BERLIN CONFERENCE ON EUROPEAN COMMUNIST PARTIES; AND  
PLEDGES OF GREATER COOPERATION IN THE IDEOLOGICAL SPHERE.  
CHIEF SOVIET DELEGATE PONAMAREV LAID PARTICULAR STRESS  
UPON DISARMAMENT (ER/RB WEAPON) AND ON THE NEED FOR  
COHESION OF COMMUNISTS ON A "PRINCIPLED, MARXIST-  
LENINIST, INTERNATIONALIST BASIS."

B. THE BLANDNESS OF THE COMMUNIQUE LANGUAGE WAS DELIBERATE  
AND MASKS UNDERLYING DIFFERENCES AMONG THE PARTICIPANTS

ON SUCH TOPICS AS BLOC INVOLVEMENT IN AFRICA, CSCE  
TACTICS, AND EUROCOMMUNISM. REFERENCE TO THE BERLIN  
STATEMENT MAY HAVE BEEN INTENDED TO REASSURE ROMANIANS  
AND HUNGARIANS AMONG OTHERS. OF THE FEW CONCRETE  
DETAILS AVAILABLE:

-- VIETNAM PARTICIPATED FOR THE FIRST TIME IN THIS  
TYPE OF MEETING, ALTHOUGH ONLY AS AN "OBSERVER."

-- CUBA WAS ACKNOWLEDGED AS PREEMINENT AMONG LATIN  
AMERICAN AND CARIBBEAN PARTIES.

-- NO PARTICULAR ATTENTION APPEARS TO HAVE BEEN  
DIRECTED EITHER TO CHINA OR TO DISSIDENCE WITHIN THE  
BLOC.

C. THE ROMANIANS SEEMED TO HAVE BEEN TREATED WITH  
SOME "COOLNESS" BY THEIR HUNGARIAN HOSTS, POSSIBLY  
REFLECTING CURRENT DIFFERENCES OVER TREATMENT OF THE  
HUNGARIAN MINORITY IN TRANSYLVANIA.

2. SUBSEQUENT TO PREPARATION OF ABOVE, MISSION'S  
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SOURCE IN PARA 6) TO SUPPLEMENT ABOVE ANALYSIS.

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